



THE TOWN OF

COLUMBIA NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1971



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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

KENNETH A. PARKHURST, CHM	Term Expires 1972
MILTON E. ADAIR	Term Expires 1973
RAY W. PLACY, JR.	Term Expires 1974

Moderator

KENNETH A. PARKHURST

Town Clerk

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Treasurer

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Tax Collector

ELIZABETH E. ADAIR

Supervisors

MABEL SIMS	Term Expires 1972
ETHEL FRIZZELL	Term Expires 1974
MARY WHITE	Term Expires 1976

Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY LANG	Term Expires 1972
LEW WALLACE	Term Expires 1973

Auditors

ANNIE FRIZZELL	(elected)	THERESA PERRY
	(appointed)	RACHEL FRIZZELL

WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday the 7th day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To vote and bring in ballots for election of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Columbia for the year ensuing.
2. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officers as required.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Old Age, Blind and Disability Assistance for the year ensuing.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repairs of highways and bridges.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to take such action regarding plowing or otherwise keeping winter roads open in said Town for the year ensuing, as in their judgment seems conducive to the best interest of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.
7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of cemeteries.
8. To see what action the Town will take with reference to hiring the Colebrook Fire Department and the Stratford Fire Department for the purpose of extinguishing fires in said Town, and in the event of favorable action to make necessary appropriation for the same.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes for the ensuing year, and to pay such debts out of tax money when the same is received.
10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through Tax Collector's Deeds.
11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply any surplus remaining in their hands at the end of the fiscal year 1971 to the defraying of Town Charges for the fiscal year 1972 in order to effect a proportionate reduction of the amount to be raised by taxes.
12. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for the support of Town Charges for the ensuing year.
13. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Construction of Class V Roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose the sum of \$551.46 the State to contribute the sum of \$3,676.41
14. To bring in your ballots as to whether the voters are in favor of the adoption of the zoning ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board.
15. To see if the Town will vote to contribute to the Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Services, and appropriate for said purpose the sum of \$441.00.
16. To bring in your ballots to determine if you are in favor of continuing to have three-year terms for Tax Collector, Town Clerk and Treasurer.
17. To bring in your ballots to take the sense of the qualified voters whether the amendments of the Constitution proposed by the 1971 session of the General Court shall be approved.
18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Planning Board to regulate subdivision of land in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 36, Section 19-29 of N. H. Revised Statutes Annotated, 1955.

19. To see if the Town will hire the use of Stratford Dump and Colebrook Dump and make necessary appropriation for same.
20. To see if the Town will vote to repair the Town Garage, and in the event of favorable action, to raise money for the same.
21. To see if the Town will vote to raise money for the purpose of uniting with the forty-five other Towns in the White Mountains Region Association in publicizing and otherwise promoting the natural and commercial factors upon which the economy is based.
22. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a person to serve on a joint advisory committee of all Towns in New Hampshire and Vermont involved in the proposed Connecticut National Recreation Area — Coos Scenic Unit, so-called, in order to formulate a shared statement regarding the preservation and/or development of land in the Upper Connecticut Valley.
23. To see if the Town will vote to hire the State Tax Commission to reevaluate all real estate in the town.
24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of agents, auditors, selectmen, and all other officers, and ratify and confirm the same.
25. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 2nd day of February,
A. D. 1972.

KENNETH A. PARKHURST
MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.

A true Copy, attest:

KENNETH A. PARKHURST
MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, SS: February 2nd, 1972.

We, Kenneth A. Parkhurst, Milton Adair and Ray W. Placy, Jr. Selectmen of the Town of Columbia, hereby certify that we posted a true and attested copy of the within warrant, at the place of meeting specified and a like copy at a public place in said Town, and delivered to the Town Clerk on the same date the original warrant.

KENNETH A. PARKHURST
MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, SS: February 2, 1972

Personally appeared Kenneth A. Parkhurst, Milton Adair and Ray W. Placy, Jr., and made oath that the above affidavit, by them subscribed is true.

Before me

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Notary Public

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Columbia Planning Board will hold the second of two hearings on January 10, 1972 at 7:30 P. M. to consider changes and amendments to the Town of Columbia Zoning Ordinance.

1. To amend article 3 by deleting therefrom the words "Selectmen" and "Board of Selectmen" and inserting in place thereof "Planning Board". Also by adding to this article the following sections: " (a) Exterior walls of buildings shall be finished with durable standard materials. (b) Foundation for residences shall be either concrete or masonry walls or concrete or masonry piers. (c) Chimneys for permanent residence shall be constructed on a footing of suitable masonry construction and shall contain a flue lining, and to extend at least three feet higher than the adjoining roof. Chimneys for seasonal residence shall be of masonry construction, contain a flue lining, and to extend at least three feet higher than the adjoining roof. Any stove pipe passing through wall or ceiling shall be protected by adequate insulating device".
2. To amend article 6 by deleting the same in its entirety, and substituting therefor the following: "If a building permit is approved by the Planning Board, it shall become effective fourteen (14) days after receipt of application. This time limit may be waived at the discretion of the Board".
3. To amend article 11—C by deleting the same in its entirety, and substituting therefor the following: "No permit shall be issued for a house trailer or mobile home which does not have a minimum area of 400 sq. ft., a continuous concrete or masonry foundation or concrete or masonry piers, the base of the house trailer or mobile home shall be fully skirted by durable material, and an adequate independent sewerage disposal system and running water."
4. To amend article 13, sections (a), (b), (c), by deleting therefrom the words "Selectmen" and "Board of Selectmen" and inserting in place thereof "Planning Board".
5. To amend article 16 by deleting therefrom the words "Board of Selectmen" and inserting in place thereof "Planning Board".

6. REGULATION OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES:

1. LICENSE REQUIRED:

- (a) No person shall permit, maintain, promote, conduct advertise, act as entrepreneur, undertake, organize manage, or sell or give tickets to an actual or reasonably anticipated assembly of 100 or more people which continues or can reasonably be expected to continue for 12 or more continuous hours, whether on public or private property, unless a license to hold the assembly has first been issued by the Board of Selectmen, application of which shall be made at least 30 days in advance of the assembly. A license to hold an assembly issued to one person shall permit any person to engage in any lawful activity in connection with the holding of the licensed assembly.
- (b) A separate license shall be required for each day and each location which 100 or more people assemble or can reasonably be anticipated to assemble; the fee for each license shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
- (c) The license shall permit the assembly of only the maximum number of people stated in the license.
- (d) The license shall not permit the sound of the assembly to carry unreasonably beyond the enclosed boundaries of the location of the assembly.
- (e) This Ordinance shall not apply to any regularly established permanent place of worship, stadium, athletic field, arena, auditorium, or other similar permanently established place of assembly. Nor shall it apply to government sponsored fairs held on regularly established fairgrounds.

2. CONDITIONS FOR ISSUING LICENSE:

The applicant shall furnish at his own expense.

- (a) A fence completely enclosing the proposed location, of sufficient height and strength to prevent people in excess of the maximum permissible number from gaining access to the assembly grounds.
- (b) Provide free parking area inside the assembly grounds sufficient to provide parking space for the maximum number of people to be assembled at the rate of at least one parking space for every four persons.
- (c) A bond, filed with the clerk of Columbia either in cash or underwritten by a surety company licensed to do business in New Hampshire at the rate of \$1.00

per person for the maximum number of people permitted to assembly, which shall indemnify and hold harmless this municipality or any of its agents, officers, servants and employees from any liability or causes of action which might arise by reason of granting this license, and from any waste material produced or left by the assembly.

3. ENFORCEMENT:

- (a) The provisions of this ordinance may be enforced by injunction in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- (b) The holding of any assembly in violation of any provision or condition contained in this ordinance shall be deemed a public nuisance and may be abated as such.
- (c) Any person who violates any condition upon which he is granted a license may be fined not less than \$250.00 nor more than \$1,000.00. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate offense.

BUDGET

ESTIMATED INCOME

Railroad Tax	\$ 183.00
Savings Bank Tax	76.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,031.00
Yield Tax	3,698.00
Interest & Dividends Tax	45.00
Licenses & Permits	50.00
Dog Licenses	60.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,200.00
Rent on Town Property	10.00
Resident Tax	1,315.00
Highway Subsidy	3,665.00
Surplus	15,000.00
Total	<u>\$30,333.00</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

	Raised 1971	Spent 1971	Estimated 1972
Town Charges	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,226.02	\$ 4,500.00
Fires	1,000.00	1,142.25	1,000.00
Health Services	441.00	441.00	441.00
Summer Roads	3,500.00	2,290.46	3,000.00
Bridges & Culverts	1,000.00	485.06	500.00
Winter Roads	8,000.00	6,343.39	7,500.00
Town Road Aid	632.20	632.20	551.46
Town Poor	2,500.00	2,647.85	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	1,213.51	2,000.00
Cemeteries	500.00	275.00	500.00
Regional Ass'n	127.22	127.22	
Payment on Debt.	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Interest	275.00	550.00	
Columbia Bridge	2,000.00		
	<u>\$30,475.42</u>		
Less Est. Income	30,333.00		
Net Town Appro.	142.42		
Net School Approp.	60,416.87		
County Tax	7,097.47		
Total	<u>\$67,656.76</u>		

Prop. Exempted	5,892.00
War Credits	1,350.00
Overlay	627.10

Prop. Taxes to be Raised	\$63,741.89
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TAX RATE — \$7.90

Municipal	\$.10
County	.82
School	6.98

\$7.90

INVOICE OF PROPERTY

Land	\$279,969.00
Buildings	414,750.00
Electric Cos	80,690.00
Mobile Homes (22)	39,200.00
Boat	50.00

TOTAL VALUATION	\$814,659.00
Less Elderly Exemptions	7,800.00

\$806,859.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash in hand of Treasurer January 1, 1972	\$ 64,344.31
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Unredeemed Taxes:

1971	\$ 1,591.90
1970	561.98
1969	85.72
Previous Year	20.58

\$ 2,260.18

Uncollected Taxes:

1971	\$ 140.00
1970	None
1969	None
Previous Years	None

140.00

Unpaid Resident Taxes	110.00
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	\$ 66,854.49
Unpaid Bills:	
School Districts	\$ 60,416.87

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall	\$ 7,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Highway Department, Land & Buildings	2,500.00
Equipment	8,500.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

State of New Hampshire, Business Profits Tax	\$ 5,892.41
State of New Hampshire, Class V Roads	3,994.41
State of New Hampshire, Int. & Dividends Tax	44.56
State of New Hampshire, Savings Bank Tax	75.64
State of New Hampshire, Railroad Tax	183.35
State of New Hampshire, TRA Refund	79.03
State of New Hampshire, Highway Subsidy	3,665.40
State of New Hampshire, Meals & Rooms Tax	2,048.77
State of New Hampshire, Forest Conservation Aid	2,648.21
Tax Collector	68,684.43
Town Clerk, Auto Permits	5,448.55
Town Clerk, Dog Licenses	64.00
Columbia Zoning Board, Permit Fees	48.00
Rent of Town Hall	10.00
Junkyard License	25.00
TOTAL	\$92,911.76

PAYMENTS

Officers' Salaries

Kenneth A. Parkhurst, Selectman	\$ 200.00
Milton Adair, Selectman	200.00
Ray W. Placy, Jr.	200.00
Elizabeth Adair, Tax Collector	200.00
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Town Clerk	200.00
Isabelle M. Parkhurst, Treasurer	200.00
Milton E. Adair, Overseer of the Poor	52.50
Annie Frizzell, Auditor	30.00
Rachel Frizzell, Auditor	30.00
Mabel Sims, Supervisor of Checklist	60.00
Ethel Frizzell, Supervisor of Checklist	60.00
Mary White, Supervisor of Checklist	40.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Moderator	30.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,502.50

Officers' Expenses

Tax Collector's Association, Dues	\$ 5.00
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Town Clerk's Association, Dues	6.00
Assessors' Association, Dues	15.00
Wheeler & Clark, Supplies	\$ 17.00
Warren A. Bartlett, Cards	65.16
M/S Printing & Advertising, Supplies	39.40
M/S Printing & Advertising, Town Reports	277.70
Andrew R. George Agency, Bonds	87.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., Supplies	42.50
Branham Publishing Company, Supplies	9.40
News & Sentinel, Supplies & Advertising	70.21
Milton Adair, Expenses	16.00
Elizabeth Adair, Expenses	283.27
Isabelle Parkhurst, Supplies & Expenses	114.69
Isabelle Parkhurst, Clerical, Licenses etc.	641.10
Kenneth Parkhurst, Expenses	33.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Timber Tax	75.00

TOTAL	\$ 1,797.43
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Winter Roads

Francis Chapple, Plowing	\$ 765.00
State of New Hampshire	178.39
Nugent Motor Co., Plowing and Sanding	5,400.00
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	\$ 6,343.39

Summer Roads

F. George Chapple, labor	\$ 161.00
L. M. Pike, & Son, cold patch	1,053.74
Nugent Motor Co., gravel	14.50
Sheldon Gray, labor	1,049.22
Milton Adair, labor	12.00
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	\$ 2,290.46

Town Buildings

N. H. Elec. Coop., Inc.	\$ 24.05
Public Service Co.	22.20
Hazen Goodrum, stove wood	25.00
L. Parkhurst & Sons, supplies & labor	6.36
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	\$ 77.61

Elections and Registrations

Edith Clark, Ballot Clerk	\$ 13.00
Marion Stanton, Ballot Clerk	13.00
M/S Printing & Advertising, Ballots	\$ 15.70
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	\$ 41.70

Bridges and Culverts

L. Parkhurst & Sons, supplies	\$ 56.56
Milton Adair, labor	136.00
Doric Foundation Co.	182.50
Town of Colebrook	110.00
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	\$ 485.06

Cemeteries

Everett A. Stanton, mowing	\$ 275.00
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Town Poor

State of N. H., H. Reynolds, A. Goodreau, V. Goodreau	\$ 1,542.00
Pine Haven Boys Center, P. Poulin, Jr.	872.00
Lewis Oil Co., C. Goodrum	51.74
Colebrook Oil Co., F. Stanton	182.11
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	\$ 2,647.85

Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire, A. Lawton, W. Reynolds, G. Warner	\$ 1,213.51
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Fires

Milton Adair, Reynolds Fire	\$ 20.00
Colebrook Fire Department	1,122.25
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	\$ 1,142.25

Miscellaneous

State of N. H., Residents Tax	\$ 1,026.00
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State of N. H., Bond & Ret. Tax	481.96
State of N. H., T. R. A.	632.20
State of N. H., Head Tax	50.50
State of N. H., Boat Tax	.42
State of N. H., Class V Roads	5,122.88
Town of Colebrook, town dump	\$ 100.00
Town of Stratford, town dump 3 yrs.	450.00
White Mt. Region Association	127.22
Coos County Treasurer	7,097.47
Upper Conn. Valley Mental Health Service	441.00
Farmers & Traders National & Savings Bank, note	4,000.00
Farmers & Traders National & Savings Bank, Int.	550.00
Annie Frizzell, Treasurer School Dist.	43,200.53
Concord General Mutual	34.00
Andrew R. George Agency	16.00
Marshall & Kent Insurance	104.00
Gerard Richards, tax refund	92.78
Richard Shallow, tax refund	10.00
Elizabeth Adair, taxes bought by town	2,608.52
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	\$66,145.48
 TOTAL PAYMENTS	 \$83,968.24

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

During the year ending December 31, 1971, I have recorded in this office 5 births, 10 marriages and 2 deaths.

Licenses were paid to me on 32 dogs for a total of \$64.00. I have issued motor vehicle permits amounting to \$5,448.55. All amounts have been deposited to the Town Treasurer.

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1971	\$55,400.79
Received from all sources	92,911.76

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	\$148,312.55
Less Selectmen's Orders	83,968.24

Cash on hand January 1, 1972	<hr/>
	\$64,344.31

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES Levy of 1971

		Debits	
Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property taxes		\$62,391.86	
Resident taxes		2,490.00	
Yield taxes		1,295.86	
Total Warrant			\$66,177.72
Redemptions after			
71 Tax Sale	\$ 1,016.62		
Added Property	39.50		
Added Resident	50.00		
			1,106.12
Interest Collected			
During Year		238.46	
TOTAL DEBITS			\$67,522.30

		Credits	
Remittances to treasurer			
Property taxes		\$62,992.15	
Resident taxes		2,280.00	
Yield taxes		1,265.26	
Interest Collected		238.46	
			\$66,775.87
Abatements made			
during year			
Property taxes	\$ 455.83		
Resident taxes	150.00		
			605.83
Uncollected Taxes			
Dec. 31, 1971			
Property taxes	None		
Resident taxes	110.00		
Yield taxes	30.60		
			140.60
TOTAL CREDITS			\$67,522.30

Uncollected Resident Taxes

Julia Ball	Andre Goodreau
Arlene Mills	Pauline Goodreau
Jesse Young	Walter Marsh, Jr.
Frederick Lang	Laura Lafond
Charles Fortier	Leonard Linscott
Elizabeth Fortier	

TOTAL UNCOLLECTED	\$	110.00
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Uncollected Yield Tax

Bryant LeClair

TOTAL UNCOLLECTED	30.60
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Summary of Tax Sales Accounts

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1971

Debits

Tax Sale on Account of	Levies of:	Prev.	
1971	1970	1969	Years

Balance of Unredeemed Taxes				
January 1, 1971		1,405.34	363.66	430.46
Taxes Sold to Town				
During Current Year	2,608.52			
Interest Collected				
After Sale		36.87	60.71	162.80
Total Debits	\$2,608.52	\$1,442.21	\$ 424.37	\$ 593.26

Credits

Remittances to				
Treasurer:				
Redemptions	1,016.62	843.36	277.94	409.88
Int. Collected		36.87	60.71	162.80
Unredeemed as				
Dec. 31, 1971	1,591.90	561.98	85.72	20.58
Total Credits	\$2,608.52	\$1,442.21	\$ 424.37	\$ 593.26

Unredeemed Taxes From Tax Sales

	1971	1970	1969	Prev. Years
Dean Howard	60.82			
Louis Burness	22.23			
Donald Riendeau	44.91			
Bernard Goodrum	96.28			
Warren Olson	317.79			
William Bacon	175.38			
Patrick Hebert	226.26			
Robert Caron	186.46			
Westley Hartwell	182.66			
Chas. Haynes Est.	64.80		50.41	
Verne Reynolds	214.31	362.99		
Andre Dostie		5.35		
Jacqueline Cass		155.79		
Tempered Maple Corp.		37.85	35.31	20.58
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	\$1,591.90	\$ 561.98	\$ 85.72	\$ 20.58

"I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent tax-payer, as of December 31, 1971 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

**SUMMARY OF ALL POLL TAXES
UNCOLLECTED AS OF
January 1, 1971**

Debits		
Levy 1970 Poll Taxes	\$32.00	
Levy 1969 Poll Taxes	2.00	
Added Poll Taxes	12.00	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$46.00
Credits		
Remittances to treasurer:		
Poll Taxes	\$28.00	
Abatements	18.00	
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TOTAL CREDITS		\$46.00

**SUMMARY OF ALL STATE HEAD TAXES
UNCOLLECTED AS OF
January 1, 1971**

Debits		
Levy of 1970 Head Tax	\$90.00	
Levy of 1969 Head Tax	5.00	
Added Head Taxes	40.00	
Penalties Collected	4.00	
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TOTAL DEBITS		\$139.00
Credits		
Remittances to treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$85.00	
Penalties Collected	4.00	

Abatements

50.00

TOTAL CREDITS

\$139.00

"I hereby certify that the preceding tax collector's reports, as of December 31, 1971, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Selectmen of the Town of Columbia and to the best of our ability, find them correctly computed and accounted for.

ANNIE FRIZZELL
RACHEL M. FRIZZELL

Auditors

January 27, 1972

TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H. FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1971

Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year:		Expended During Year	Balance End Year
				Amount			
Mary E. Walker	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	\$ 676.19	\$ 30.96		\$ 707.15	
Mrs. Warren Marshall	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	111.15	5.08		116.23	
Ellen Cleaveland	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	148.81	6.80		155.61	
Henry Forristall	Care of Cemetery Lot	Nat'l & S. Bank Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank	327.73	16.70		344.43	
Thomas W. Wallace	Care of Cemetery Lot	Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank	1,456.03	74.18	40.00	1,490.21	

CERTIFICATE

December 31, 1971

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

LEW WALLACE AND HARRY LANG, Trustees

1970 – 1971

SCHOOL REPORT

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICERS

Moderator

Kenneth Parkhurst

Clerk

Annie Frizzell

Treasurer

Annie Frizzell

Auditors

Theresa Perry

Mary Lou Placy

School Board

Erwin Parkhurst, Chairman
Stewart Rainville
Harold Perry

Term Expires 1972
Term Expires 1973
Term Expires 1974

Superintendent of Schools

Stephen E. Dehl

Business Administrator

Perley E. Davis

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Columbia qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, 1972, immediately following the Town District meeting, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballots for the election of the School District Officers to be elected by ballot for the School District of Columbia for the ensuing year (s).
2. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
3. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To see if the District will vote to raise \$1,320.00 for the support of the Early Childhood Education Program.
5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the district.
6. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the district, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or the United States.
7. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Columbia this seventeenth day of February, 1972.

ERWIN PARKHURST, Chairman
HAROLD PERRY
STEWART RAINVILLE

A true copy of warrant — attest:
ERWIN PARKHURST, CHM
HAROLD PERRY
STEWART RAINVILLE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Financing local educational costs has traditionally been the responsibility of the local community. Now, however, a California Supreme Court decision that declared California's present system of financing its public school systems to be unconstitutional has created shock waves throughout the nation despite the fact that ultimate decision will probably await a U. S. Supreme Court ruling.

In its decision, the California court ruled that the present arrangement based largely on property taxes levied within school districts denies equal educational opportunities to residents of less industrialized areas since they must be taxed at a higher rate to cover school costs than persons in wealthier or more industrialized areas.

Dependent upon the outcome of the California decision, some serious implications may develop. Invariably, when outside monies are channeled into local governments some degree of local control is lost or diminished through guidelines imposed or mandated. Whether this sacrifice will be necessary or whether alternative approaches such as revenue sharing on a state and local basis may be more feasible remains to be seen. The problem of providing monies for education, however, still remains.

The next decade will see an increasing emphasis on vocational education and career planning development. Our society now realized that a college or university education should not and need not be required of every youngster entering the field of work. Welfare statistics, however, clearly indicate that vocational education has sorely been overlooked by the public school system. Federal, state, and local monies combined now spent on welfare programs outnumber monies spent on education by a 6 to 1 ratio, with no indication that the gap will narrow.

Additional and new programs in vocational education would indeed cost more money and will give rise to concern as to how it can be afforded. However, can we not afford it if we are to prepare youngsters for a productive and secure life as opposed to a life of welfare and non-productivity? The cost of the latter is obvious. The rapidly changing field of technology has resulted in major changes in labor productivity and occupational fields available, consumer products, environmental conditions, housing, transportation, and changes in practically all aspects of our daily living. The question now remains if we are to meet this forthcoming challenge in education by local, state, or federal mandate.

Respectfully submitted,

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S REPORT

In my first year as Guidance Counselor in grades 8—12 of Supervisory Union No. 7, I have had three basic objectives:

1. To ascertain what has been done in the way of guidance during the past few years in Supervisory Union No. 7.
2. To build upon the past by initiating a program which will develop in each student a sense of self-understanding, a store of healthy attitudes, a realization of his responsibility to himself as well as others, and the ability to make sound decisions.
3. To become acquainted with students, teachers, administrators, and parents so that all can move toward the above-mentioned goals which really are the purposes of and reasons for guidance.

While the scope of these objectives is virtually unlimited, I feel that firm steps have been taken toward their eventual fulfillment. Much has been accomplished through innumerable dialogues with individuals, some group guidance, a considerable amount of group and individual testing and the providing of desired information and materials.

Much remains to be done in this never ending process of guidance. One of the weaker points of the program thus far has been the lack of communication with parents. Although I have talked with quite a number of fathers and mothers concerning a variety of matters involving their children, a great deal more needs to be done in this particular area. Steps to correct the situation will be taken little by little commencing this spring with a series of guidance newsletters to parents, some newspaper releases and an increase in the number of visitations. Hopefully, over a period of time, a close relationship can be established between parents and the guidance office, with the common aim of helping students—sons and daughters, achieve a greater degree of happiness and success in their homes, their schools, and their communities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me concerning any specific question that you may have involving your children and/or the guidance program.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. SHIELDS
Guidance Counselor

SCHOOL HEALTH

The objectives of a school health program are to perform the necessary functions to maintain and promote good health for all the pupils in our schools.

Each year the following services are performed: checking heights and weights, vision and hearing screening, physical examinations for students in grades 4, 8, and 11, as well as all involved in athletics, T. B. skin tests as recommended by the T. B. Association of this state, necessary immunizations, pre-school clinics for incoming first graders and including the Early Childhood Program pupils this year, home visits as deemed necessary for good communications between the school and the parents and for follow-through health care, first aid and emergency care, health teaching and counseling, promotion of mental health, and continuous supervision of general health.

The Matching Fund Dental Program sponsored by the local towns and the state was utilized again this year with as many pupils receiving dental care as time and monies allowed.

North Country Education Services again provided a speech and hearing specialist with one and one-half days per week devoted to Supervisory Union 7 students with speech and hearing defects.

Each year we strive to improve the school health program. With everyone working together, it is hoped that we can achieve our goal in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH CUMMINGS, R. N.
School Nurse

ANNUAL REPORT FOR VER-SHIRE SCHOOL & SHOP

Colebrook, New Hampshire

This program has dealt specifically with the handicapped and disadvantaged in the area. It has served individuals in this capacity from the ages of 6 to 63. In the true sense of the word, it has been special education for the handicapped and disadvantaged in relation to each individual's needs.

Upon enrollment each individual experiences an evaluation process as a basic orientation to the program. The program is an assessment of the capabilities and limitations of the individual enrollee through vocational related activities.

It has been demonstrated that if certain individuals are unable to sufficiently develop a trade or skill, they can still benefit from an opportunity to work and socialize outside of their neighborhood environment.

An academic program of specialized tutoring for each individual's basic needs and academic skills has been developed. This aspect of the program coordinates with the vocational related activities thus being the motivating factor for continued academic achievement on the part of individuals.

In recognition to this new and innovative type of approach to education, the State Title III office has provided a grant to Ver-Shire School and Shop to develop this program more extensively. One of the Title III primary purposes being to provide such information to other communities throughout the state and nation for utilizing these educational techniques for the handicapped and disadvantaged.

The number, range and variety of handicaps served in this program have demonstrated the need for growth in this facility. Acquisition of adjoining space is in the process.

In recognition of the success achieved by this program, on September 10, 1971, the New Hampshire Council for Better Schools presented its commendation award to Ver-Shire School and Shop for its Sheltered Workshop for handicapped and disadvantaged individuals:

"With the emphasis on remedial education pre-vocational training and the development of attributes of honesty, responsibility, trust and reliability, the project is not unlike other

vocational-technical projects for the handicapped. The outstanding aspect of the Ver-Shire project is the degree of community involvement. It was the community that recognized the demand for a program to serve the disadvantaged. The community and its various organizations provide economic support. Community resources are utilized to provide educational remediation, skilled instruction and employment opportunities. The value of such a program for the disadvantaged individuals is undisputed and this community has discovered that the benefits reach into all aspects of community life."

I would like to take this opportunity to "congratulate" and "thank" each and every one of you in this total community for making Ver-Shire School and Shop a reality.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE COULTER
Coordinator
Ver-Shire School & Shop

FINANCIAL REPORT

1970 - 1971

RECEIPTS

REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES:

Current Appropriation	\$39,036.81	
Deficit Appropriation	4,163.72	
Other Revenue from Local Sources	3.51	
	<hr/>	\$43,204.04

REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES:

Foundation Aid	\$19,033.70	
Intellectually Retarded	593.09	
Sweepstakes	607.10	
Colebrook School District	147.38	
	<hr/>	\$20,381.27

Total Receipts	\$63,585.31
Balance on Hand July 1, 1970	6,112.81
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GRAND TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$69,698.12
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EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 441.76	
Instruction	956.70	
Attendance Services	4.00	
Health Services	30.40	
Pupil Transportation	7,200.00	
Outgoing Transfer Accounts	61,064.86	
	<hr/>	\$69,697.72

Total Expenditures	\$69,697.72
Balance June 30, 1971	.40
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To Balance	\$69,698.12
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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971 and find them correct in all respects.

THERESA PERRY
MARY LOU PLACEY
Auditors

June 30, 1971

DETAILED EXPENDITURES

1970 - 1971

ADMINISTRATION:

Salaries of District Officers:

Frizzell, Annie	\$	63.00	
Parkhurst, Erwin		60.00	
Parkhurst, Kenneth		5.00	
Perry, Harold		60.00	
Rainville, Stewart		60.00	
			\$ 248.00

Contracted Services:

Perry, Theresa	\$	5.00	
Placey, Mary Lou		5.00	
Rainville, Winnie		40.00	
			\$ 50.00

Other Expenses for Administration:

Colebrook School District	\$	1.00	
Dehl, Stephen		58.74	
Edson C. Eastman		30.65	
M/S Printing & Advertising		13.63	
N. H. School Boards Assoc.		20.00	
G. M. Stevens Insurance		10.00	
News and Sentinel		8.74	
			\$ 142.76

Other Expenses of Supt.'s Office:

Treasurer, State of N. H.			
(OASDI)	\$	1.00	
			\$ 1.00

INSTRUCTION:

Salary of Guidance Counselor:

Colebrook School District			
(J. Sibulkin)	\$	895.80	
			\$ 895.80

Contracted Services for Instruction:

Central Arts Library	\$ 60.90	
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ATTENDANCE SERVICES:**Other Expenses for Attendance****Services:**

Ladd, Gilman	\$ 4.00	
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HEALTH SERVICES:**Other Expenses for Health Services**

Randall Brooks M. D.	\$ 2.00	
Mertrude Norris, M. D.	1.00	
Marjorie Parsons, M. D.	24.00	
Stickney, Richmond	3.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 30.40

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION:**Contracted Services for Transportation:**

Nugent Motor Company	\$ 2,880.00	
Rainville, Stewart	4,320.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,200.00

OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCTS.**Tuition — Instate**

Colebrook School District	\$54,532.46	
Stratford School District	3,400.00	
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Supervisory Union Expenses:

Supervisory Union # 7	\$ 3,132.40	
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<hr/> \$69,697.72
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In accordance with the laws of 1961, Chapter 189, Section 48, breakdown of the total amount paid to the Superintendent and Business Administrator by the State and respective school districts follows:

Superintendent:	Salary	Travel	Total
State of N. H.	\$ 5,000.00	\$.00	\$ 5,000.00
Colebrook	4,047.30	539.64	4,586.94
Columbia	888.30	118.44	1,006.74
Clarksville	414.00	55.20	469.20
Pittsburg	2,096.10	279.48	2,375.58
Stewartstown	1,554.30	207.24	1,761.54
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	\$14,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$15,200.00

Business Administrator:

State of N. H.	\$ 2,000.00	\$.00	\$ 2,000.00
Colebrook	2,248.50	269.82	2,518.32
Columbia	493.50	59.22	552.72
Clarksville	230.00	27.60	257.60
Pittsburg	1,164.50	139.74	1,304.24
Stewartstown	863.50	103.62	967.12
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	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 7,600.00

BUDGET

FOR 1972 - 1973

(Compared with Expenditures of 1970 - 1971 and)
(Budget of 1971 - 1972)

	Amount Expended 70-71	Budget 71-72	Proposed Budget 72-73
Administration:			
Salary District Off.	\$ 248.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00
Contracted Services	50.00	40.00	40.00
Other Expenses of District Officers	142.76	140.00	590.00
Other Expenses of Supt.'s Office	1.00		
Instruction:			
Guidance	895.80		
Contracted Services	60.90		683.00
Central Arts Library		100.00	
Attendance Services:			
Other	4.00		
Health Services:			
Salaries		525.00	
Contracted Services			255.00
Other Expenses	30.40	100.00	45.00
Pupil Transportation:			
Contracted Services	7,200.00	8,460.00	9,360.00
Outgoing Transfer Accts:			
Tuition In-State	57,932.46	60,454.00	96,353.00
Supervisory Union Expenses	3,132.40	3,834.00	5,900.00
	<u>\$69,697.72</u>	<u>\$74,013.00</u>	<u>\$113,586.00</u>

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS 1972 - 1973

Balance on Hand	\$.00
Sweepstakes	1,300.00
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Total Estimated Receipts	1,300.00
Total Budgeted Expenditures	113,586.00
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Requested Appropriation	\$112,286.00

TRANSPORTATION 1971 - 1972

Transporter	Rate/Day	No. Pupils	Miles/Day
Willard F. Nugent	24.50	63	41
Stewart Rainville	27.50	39	36

TUITION PUPILS AND RATES 1971 - 1972

Colebrook Elementary	57	480.00
Colebrook Academy	31	717.00
Colebrook Special Class	5	600.00
Stratford Elementary	1	535.00
Stratford High School	2	759.00
Ver-Shire Schools & Shops	3	580.00

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
March 23	Colebrook, N. H.	Rhoda Jane Cass	Earl E. Cass	LaVerna McMann
April 1	Colebrook, N. H.	Scott Jay DeBlois	Roger G. DeBlois	Robin G. Jondro
July 2	Colebrook, N. H.	Nicole Jean Caron	Robert M. Caron	Marjorie Harding
July 7	Lancaster, N. H.	Christiaan Jordan Gray	Sheldon A. Gray	Elaine V. Jordan
Oct. 13	Colebrook, N. H.	Sandra Alison Jackson	Gary C. Jackson	Dolores G. Guay

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Name
July 8	Charles D. Parker	74	Colebrook, N. H.	William Parker	Rosalie Burke
Oct. 13	Sylvan V. Sweatt	63	Colebrook, N. H.	Hollis Sweatt	Unknown

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom & Bride	Place of Residence	Name of Parents
January 16	Stratford, N. H.	James L. Kennett	Columbia, N. H.	Bernard Kennett Corinne Rich
		Tracy Ann Sweatt	Columbia, N. H.	Stewart Sweatt Myra Ball
January 27	Colebrook, N. H.	Stephen P. Gosselin	Columbia, N. H.	Andrew Gosselin Beverly Goodsell
		Carmela Pisa	Middletown, Conn.	Joseph Pisa Mary Baffo
April 24	Colebrook, N. H.	Charles J. Cass.	Columbia, N. H.	Earl E. Cass Jacqueline Haynes
		Diane M. Harding	Colebrook, N. H.	Leroy Harding Janice L. Curtis
July 4	Colebrook, N. H.	Arthur E. Sweatt	Columbia, N. H.	Earl A. Sweatt Marion Rich
		Judith A. Brooks	Colebrook, N. H.	Roy E. Brooks Florence Ainsworth
July 10	Berlin, N. H.	Bruce H. Haynes	Colebrook, N. H.	Donald Haynes Jean Keach
		Linda S. Rainville	Columbia, N. H.	Stewart Rainville Winnie Hibbard

August 1	Columbia, N. H.	Floyd A. Bennett	Columbia, N. H.	Aaron Bennett, Sr. Dolena Reynolds Arthur T. Monahan Juliette Morris Leonard W. Parker Arlene Parrish Edmond Rouleau Emma-Rose Labbe Richard E. Lapoint Mary Bullens George DeLong Doris Stanton Harold Perry M. Theresa Cavanaugh Nelson Bunnell Elizabeth Paquette Ray U. Frizzell Margaret Aubin Francis Chapple Mary Washburn
August 7	Colebrook, N. H.	Maureen L. Monahan Leonard W. Parker, Jr. France E. Rouleau	Stratford, N. H. Columbia, N. H. Colebrook, N. H.	
August 7	Columbia, N. H.	Richard E. Lapoint Cathy A. DeLong	Pittsburg, N. H. Columbia, N. H.	
August 14	Colebrook, N. H.	Daniel D. Perry Krista A. Bunnell	Columbia, N. H. Canaan, Vt.	
September 11	Stratford, N. H.	Raymond D. Frizzell Susan J. Chapple	Columbia, N. H. Columbia, N. H.	

